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Proposed External Research Program, FY 1959 and FY 1960

1. The Economic Research Area proposes a program of 17 external research projects for FY 1960. This program consists of extensions of three projects already under way and 11 projects proposed for initiation during FY 1959. The estimated cost of the program is [redacted] 25X1A1a A detailed breakdown of the proposed program is attached as Tab A, including descriptions of the new projects.

2. The external research program proposed for FY 1960 consists of nine projects, including extension of three current projects, continuation of four projects to be initiated in FY 1959, and two new projects for initiation in FY 1960. This program would cost an estimated [redacted] 25X1A1a the details of the proposed FY 1960 program are given in Tab B.

3. The projects proposed for FY 1959 have been listed in order of priority, which may serve as a rough guide in the event that insufficient funds are available to cover the entire program. If changes in the program become necessary for budgetary reasons, however, it is requested that this office be consulted, since it might prove desirable to make the required economies by reducing the scope of certain projects instead of eliminating projects of lower priority.

4. With respect to the program proposed for FY 1960, no order of priority has been indicated at this time, although first priority presumably would be assigned to those projects which are carried over from FY 1959.

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